

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2017
5:00 PM**

Present: James Crawford, Joe Van Deurzen, Karen Sanchez, Richard Schadewald, Susan Paulus-Smith

Excused: Harold Pfothenauer, Jay Tibbetts

Others Present: Anna Destree, Rob Gollman, Ann Steinberger, Patti Zich (minutes recorder)

1. Call to Order, Welcome, and Introductions

Richard Schadewald called the meeting to order.

2. Approval / Modification of the Agenda

MOTION: To approve the agenda as presented.

Van Deurzen / Crawford

MOTION CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes of meeting of November 15, 2016

MOTION: To approve the minutes from November 15, 2016

Van Deurzen / Sanchez

MOTION CARRIED.

4. Comments from the Public

None.

5. Environmental Division Update

Rob Gollman submitted a written report and summarized the lab had a net increase in the number of procedures performed. There was an increase in licensed inspections in 2016. Odor complaints increased as there were new sources. We recently had two environmental health hazard incidents involving elemental mercury spills which involved multiple agencies. Rob researched and found you can purchase mercury on the internet without a license. Mr. Schadewald asked Rob to put this on the next agenda to talk about this with our state legislators.

Rob indicated they met with building inspectors from different municipalities to clarify roles and our authority. Discuss of what a nuisance is versus a public health hazard and how we can assist municipalities was beneficial. The feedback received was to have a model set of ordinances county-wide to build upon for their municipality.

A bed bug task force was recently formed and Public Health hosted the second meeting of community partners looking to address the issue of bed bug resurgence.

Rob asked for permission from the Board of Health to reduce the radon test kits from \$5.00 each to \$2.00 each until the end of February.

MOTION: To approve reduction in cost of radon kits from \$5.00 each to \$2.00 each until the end of February

Van Deurzen / Sanchez

MOTION CARRIED.

Jim Crawford wanted the Health Department to look at improvements in the air permit. This should be on next month's agenda.

6. Nursing Division Update

a. Communicable Disease

Ann submitted a written report and summarized we had a mass immunization clinic on January 26th and we served 120 with 337 vaccines given, including 27 adult flu vaccine.

- b. Maternal Child Health
No report.

MOTION: To receive and place on file Nursing Division update

Van Deurzen / Crawford

MOTION CARRIED.

7. Request Authorization for Change to Flu Vaccine Fee Schedule Not Reflected in 2017 Approved Budget.

Ann indicated we were having a hard time getting rid of adult flu vaccine we purchased. With approval from Dr. Tibbetts the cost for the flu vaccine was waived for the rest of the season. Ann indicated if we don't use the vaccine by the end of June it will be wasted and we cannot send it back. Mr. Schadewald indicated we need a policy prepared in regard to changing prices as the County Board may not approve.

MOTION: To approve waiving the cost for the flu vaccine.

Van Deurzen / Crawford

MOTION CARRIED.

8. Executive Director's Report

No report.

9. Interim Director's Report

Anna indicated we are working on key tasks needed to merge successfully with Human Services through an Implementation Committee. We are currently looking at organizational chart and policies.

Anna indicates that a citizen has requested that the Green Bay Common Counsel rescind the resolution authorizing fluoride chemicals in public drinking water. Anna submitted materials 1) 1-31-17 email from Brenda Staudenmaier to City Council Members 2) Letter from Nancy Quirk to Anna Destree 3) Community Water Fluoridation article by the CDC 4) Brown County Community Water Fluoridation Talking Points – Public Health 5) 2013 Wisconsin Dental Association & Children's Health Alliance of Wisconsin information sheet 6) Tap into Healthy Teeth draft sample letter 7) sample speeches 8) Madison & Dane County Policy Statement 9) Wisconsin Public Health Association Resolution Regarding Community Water Fluoridation.

Anna is asking the Board of Health to recommend keeping the fluoridation levels as is and to write a letter to the Green Bay Protection and Welfare Committee endorsing community water fluoridation.

MOTION: To write a letter endorsing community water fluoridation

Crawford / Van Deurzen

MOTION CARRIED

Jim Crawford stated he would request the interim director refer all requests regarding wind turbines to the next board meeting for review by the Board of Health. Mr. Schadewald recommends for the next agenda to request corporation counsel to review the statutory duties of an interim health director or health director.

10. Correspondence

Drafted letter to Lafayette County from the Board of Health for signature by Jay Tibbetts and Richard Schadewald. Letters submitted by James Vanden Boogart and Darren Ashley. Receive and place on file.

11. Communications from Jim Crawford

- a. If the board would like to continue to allow statements on wind turbines the Board should include an agenda item on Shirley Wind every meeting.
Richard Schadewald suggested that Shirley Wind be on the agenda each month and Jim Crawford agreed.
- b. Review paper by Jerry Punch and Richard James handed out by Jim Vanden Boogart at the November 15, 2016 meeting and review letter from the state health officer and administrator handed out at the last meeting dated July 19, 2010.
Jim Crawford read a portion of a letter from the State of Wisconsin Health Department dated October 12, 2016, by Karen McKeown.

"Dr. Foldy came to the conclusion, based on the scientific and medical literature reviewed, and on consultations with colleagues in several state health departments and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), that "current scientific evidence is not sufficient to support a conclusion that contemporary wind turbines cause adverse health outcomes in those living at distances consistent" with the PSC siting rules."

Jim believes the Brown County Board of Health should be listening to the State of Wisconsin Department of Health and be aligned with their position.

Jim states that in the Jerry Punch and Richard James paper it indicates on page 14, *"While it is true that case series are prone to selection bias, and can at best suggest hypotheses...."* which he thought was noteworthy.

12. All Other Business Authorized by Law

Richard Schadewald states that Harold Pfothauer asked if we could meet earlier than 5 pm. Two board members work until at least 4:30 pm so it is not feasible to change the time of the meeting.

13. Annual Election of Board of Health Chairperson, Vice Chairperson per Chapter 35.01(5) of the Brown County Code of Ordinances

NOMINATION: Richard Schadewald for Chairperson. Van Deurzen / Crawford

MOTION: To elect Richard Schadewald as Chairperson by unanimous consent. Van Deurzen / Crawford

MOTION CARRIED

NOMINATION: James Crawford as Vice-Chairperson. Van Deurzen / Sanchez

NOMINATION: Jay Tibbetts as Vice-Chairperson. Schadewald / no second

MOTION: To elect James Crawford as vice-chairperson by unanimous consent. Van Deurzen / Sanchez

MOTION CARRIED

14. Adjournment / Next Meeting Schedule

MOTION: To adjourn meeting Van Deurzen / Crawford

MOTION CARRIED

NEXT MEETING: March 14, 2017 5:00 PM